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ative of the elder Enoch Story of the Philadelphia firm, later established, of Story & Humphreys. His Baltimore office was situated "in Gay Street, near the old Bridge", where he was to be found in the years 1774 and 1775. It is recorded that he printed in the last-named year an edition of the New England Primmer, but no copy of this work has been located. It is probable that he could make no headway against the opposition of his rivals, Mary Goddard and John Dunlap. As publishers of newspapers these two would almost certainly have absorbed also the greater part of the local job work. In spite of the fact, therefore, that Story was a good printer with excellent equipment, he sold out his office to the Goddards in 1775 and returned to Philadelphia. In that city he opened an office in Strawberry Alley which Thomas says that he conducted for some years. No imprints of this office are on record, however, and it seems that again he failed to secure the needed patronage. He returned to Baltimore, we are informed, and died there after another vain attempt at success in the printing business.

The Baltimore Branch of John Dunlap's Philadelphia House; James Hayes and "Dunlap's Maryland Gazette," 1775-1778; "The Maryland Gazette, and Annapolis Advertiser," 1779

The story of the printing and journalistic activity in Baltimore of William and Mary Katherine Goddard is of such a character as to require a separate chapter for its relation, and to them and their newspaper, The Maryland Journal and Baltimore Advertiser, the concluding portion of this narrative has been devoted. The monopoly of the printing trade in Baltimore which they held for a short period was broken up by the intrusion, first, of Enoch Story, the Younger, and then more effectively, by the coming of John Dunlap, who in the spring of 1775 established there a branch of his Philadelphia house. This printer was born in the north of Ireland. Emigrating to America, he was trained in typography in the office of his uncle, William Dunlap of Philadelphia. When the elder Dunlap went to England in 1766 to secure ordination in the ministry of the established church, he resigned his printing house in Philadelphia to his nephew John, who soon purchased it outright and conducted it so creditably as to deserve the success that he met with in later years. He established and carried on from 1771 to 1794 a newspaper called the Pennsylvania Packet. He was appointed printer to Congress in 1778 and for five years thereafter the printed documents of that body, even when its sessions were held elsewhere than

¹Evans, No. 14273.